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WHEREAS; swimming and aquatic-related activities play a vital role in promoting good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS; water safety education is critical to preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS; the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition make essential contributions in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities providing healthy places to recreate, learn, grow and build self-esteem, confidence, and sense of self-worth, which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS; the citizens of Wisconsin recognize the ongoing efforts and commitments to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries; and

WHEREAS; communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks or our state parks, are critical in a state that prides itself on recreation opportunities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as

## WATER SAFETY MONTH

throughout State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State